

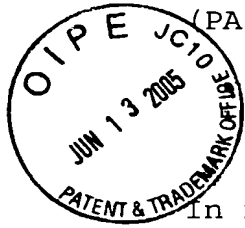
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Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, that the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of these documents are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), Applicant makes no representation that these documents qualify as prior art or that these documents are material to patentability of the present application or that a search has been made.

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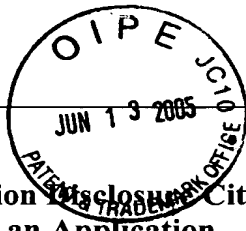
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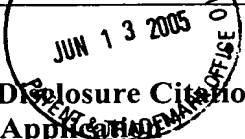
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